Kindle DX (US and International Versions) vs. The Apple iPad

Technology is ever evolving on a daily basis; hence features to support desktop publishing are being radically invented. One of the most recent technologies which support desktop publishing is the invention of portable hardware platforms. Portable hardware platforms allow people to access such desktop publishing media without the use or attachment of a computer. Two of the most popularly known available portable hardware platforms known to date are the Apple iPad and the Kindle DX. These technologies are popular amongst businesses to reduce paper usage and it’s efficient portability, architects, magazine editors and simply everyday individuals.

Each of these platforms have similar features, in which are of similar size, feature to carry personal documents, inbuilt wireless devices, inbuilt speakers, rechargeable battery life and touch screen feature. However when comparing both the Apple iPad and the Kindle DX, there are remarkable differences in the quality and abundance of features.

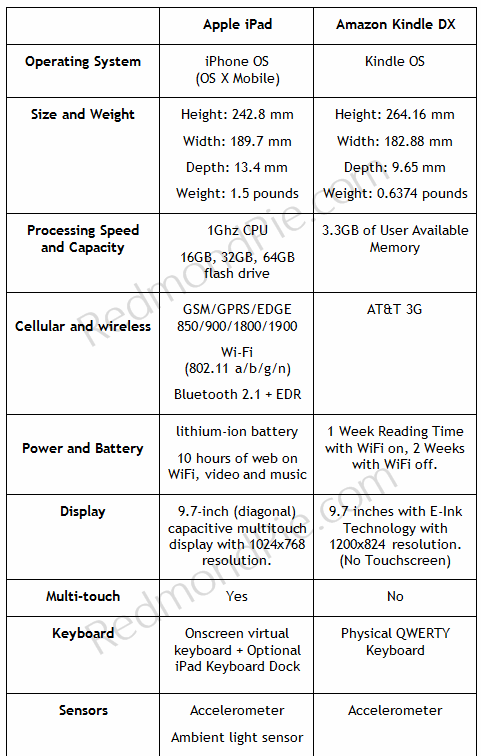
The Kindle DX is specialised as a wireless digital electronic book reader, whereas the Apple iPad is profoundly featured as a personalised multi-purpose computing device for reading, sending email, watching video, playing games, listening to music and browsing the Internet.

Evidently by generalising the two platform’s specifics, the Apple iPad clearly has more features and personalisation capabilities.

However, when it comes to performance, reliability and certain use, the Kindle DX is trustworthy, as Kindle has been reproducing itself over the past few years. As the Kindle’s main feature purpose is to display e-books, over the years, it has evolved to enlarge the screen size, decrease thickness of the device and fix software errors which occurred in the first model. In comparison to the Apple iPad which has been developed for the first time can be doubted in performance.

Simply each device needs a power source when the internal batteries of both units are needed to be charged. For the Kindle DX, recharging is needed after a few days of use, whereas the Apple iPad depends on how frequent it is used, approximately 10 hours of life when constantly surfing the web.

Overall when comparing the costs. The Kindle DX retails for $489USD with a 4gb storage capacity; whereas the Apple iPad varies in cost depending on the purchaser’s storage choice and with or without 3G feature. Retail beginning at $449 USD for 16gb without 3G features. Each products are available to order online through each of their company websites however the Apple iPad is still to be released for sale sometime after March 2010. Recurrent costs will depend on the treatment of the product, however repairs in both devices are intended to be minimal.



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